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April 19, 2022

By ECF

The Honorable Cheryl L. Pollak Chief United States Magistrate Judge Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, New York 11201

> Re: United States v. Gerald Mack, et al, Criminal Docket No. 22-166 (CBA)

Dear Chief Judge Pollak,

On April 8, 2022, the government indicted defendants Gerald Mack and Sammy Virella on Hobbs Act robbery, Hobbs Act robbery, possessing and brandishing a firearm during a crime of violence, and, as to defendant Sammy Virella only, possessing a firearm as a previously convicted felon. The government understands that Judge Amon has referred the arraignment to Your Honor. The government respectfully requests that the arraignment on the indictment be scheduled for the week of May 2, 2022 given that the defense counsel Kathryn Wozencroft is on trial before Judge Amon in <u>United States v. Kaur et al</u> 21-CR-397 this week and asks that time be excluded until then in the interests of justice. Both defendants consent to an exclusion of time between now and the arraignment.

Respectfully submitted,

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